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Committee to End Homelessness Countywide - Summary Dashboard Report

Other Notable Items Time Frame 4Q - 09

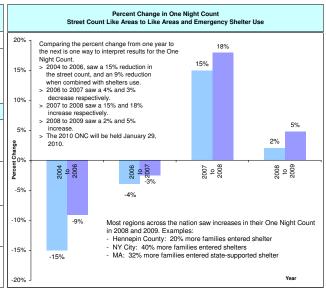
Awards were made under the 2009 Combined Funders NOFA for Homeless Housing and Services. Applications totaling \$86.2 million were received for the \$41 million available from seven public and private funders. Support from the 2009 NOFA. along with mid-year housing youcher awards for Veterans and Family Unification projects allowed us to bring an unprecedented numbers of homeless housing units brought online -- 1,065 -- our best year yet under the Ten Year Plan.

The Safe Harbors HMIS is an essential tool in our efforts to end homelessness. Safe Harbors provides information to evaluate the existing homeless system; coordinate systems and funding; and understand the needs of people who are homeless. Countywide, this system includes 251 programs and 8,478 beds serving families and individuals (not counting those that serve victims of domestic violence). To date, 85% of ES programs, 85% of TH programs, 100% of Safe Havens (short term stabilization housing) and 82% of PSH programs have successfully entered data into

The Dept of Housing and Urban Development requires a one-day count in January of people living on the street, in shelters or in transitional housing. The 2010 ONC will occur January 29, 2010. Nationally, in 2009, of 56 places where figures were available, 35 reported an increase in homelessness; 12 had a drop. Anecdotally, many jurisdictions are reporting an increase in rural and suburban homelessness, which is also borne out in King County. While street homelessness increased 2% overall, it increased 40% in the suburbs.

2009 Business Plan Performance Measures								
Measure	Status	2007 Actual	2008 Actual	2009 Actual	Benchmark			
One Night Count of people who are homeless without shelter (includes new count areas)	\rightarrow	2,159	2,631	2 927	See comments within chart to the right: Percent Change in One Night Count for comparison figures with other national ten year plans.			

Measure	Status	Hist Avg before 10YP	Avg since adoption 10YP	2005- 2006	2007	2008	2009	2010- 2011 Pipeline
Number of homeless housing units added to the system (Goal: 950 units/yr)	\langle	190	625	959	487	612	1,065	988
Measure	Status	HUD Rqmt		2008 Target	2008 Actual	2009 Target	2009 Actual	
Percent of ES, TH, PH beds reflected in Safe Harbors (now includes permanent housing)	_	86%		75%	84%	86%	86%	



CEH Director's Message

As the Committee to End Homelessness wraps up its fifth year, we have many accomplishments to celebrate. The top five successes for 2009 include:

Full Implementation of the Funders Group. In 2009 representatives from King County, City of Seattle, suburban cities, Seattle Housing Authority, King County Housing Authority, Building Changes, the Gates Foundation and United Way came together as The Funders Group to coordinate programs and system changes across the county. This level of coordination is extremely unusual and has drawn national recognition. The Funders Group priorities for the coming year are: production of new housing; increasing access to existing housing, coordinated entry for chronically homeless single adults, coordinated entry for families and full implementation of the Safe Harbors data system

Continued Robust Production. In 2009 we added 329 new construction units and 736 dedicated vouchers for a total of 1,065 homeless housing units. Our cumulative 4,111 units opened or in the pipeline is a very impressive number even as we seek to increase our production rate.

Changing How the System Works. The Client Care Coordination project is matching chronically homeless individuals with appropriate housing and supports as projects come on line, dramatically changing the old practice of multiple waitlists and ragmented placements. Similarly, coordinated entry for families will ensure uniform assessment and placement for families, avoiding families' need to visit one agency after another and being placed in a unit simply because it was open that day, rather than because it was the best fit.

Empirical Proof of Success. Housing with services is much less expensive than leaving people homelessness, and a study published in the April 2009 Journal of the American Medical Association has shown a \$4 million cost avoidance in the first year alone of the 1811 Eastlake Project.

Making a Difference on the Ground. We are in the worst recession in 50 years. Other parts of the country are seeing increases in homelessness of 20% to 30%. Our region saw a very small increase (2%) in the One Night Count in 2009. We take this as proof that the Ten Year Plan is making a real difference.

Ongoing collaboration, commitment to the Plan and continuing to come to the table makes the plan work.

Homeless Housing Production: Capital Production and Rental Subsidies

Measure	10YP Target Total	Operational through end of 2009	Operational plus Pipeline through 2011	Percent Towards Goal Including Pipeline	
Chronically Homeless Single Adults	2,500	1,357	1,837	73%	
Non-Chronically Homeless Single Adults	4,800	885	1,116	23%	
Homeless Families	1,900	768	1,037	55%	
Youth & Young Adults	300	113	121	40%	
TOTAL Number of units added to the system	9,500	3,123	4,111	43%	

Improving/Target Achievable

Watch/Target at risk

Unfavorable trend/

Target not attainable =

Key / Legend: ES - Emergency Shelter TH - Transitional Housing

PSH - Permament Supportive Housing HMIS - Homeless Management Information System SH - Safe Harbors, our region's HMIS

ONC - One Night Count



This Year's Production

■ Previous Cumulative Production

people with mental illness or co-occurring

3 500

The Ten Year Plan has prioritized housing production and services for chronically 3,000 - homeless individuals for the first five years, due in part to the tremendous system-wide cost savings that would be realized by doing so. As expected, Housing First programs at DESC and Plymouth Housing Group for severely disabled homeless adults have shown massive cost offsets in the use of public services by homeless people who achieve housing stability at these facilities. Recent data from the King 2,500 - County Criminal Justice Initiative (KCCJI) found that during the first year of operation of the Housing Voucher Program (serving homeless

